

REMARKS

The above Amendments and these Remarks are in reply to the Office Action mailed November 17, 2006.

Currently, claims 52, 60-71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 80-83, 85, 86, and 88-90 are pending. Applicant has withdrawn claims 53-59, 72, 74, 77, 79, 84, and 87. Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration of claims 52, 60-71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 80-83, 85, 86, and 88-90.

I. Election/Restrictions

Applicant confirms the election made in a response dated 8/31/06. Claims 53-59, 72, 74, 77, 79, 84, and 87 are withdrawn.

II. Specification

A. Abstract

The Abstract has been amended to describe the claimed method in accordance with the requirements for proper content of an abstract.

B. Title

The Title of the invention has been amended to describe the claimed method in accordance with the requirements for a descriptive title indicative of the invention to which the claims are directed.

III. Rejection of Claims 52, 60-71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 80-83, 85, 86, and 88-90 For Nonstatutory Obviousness-type Double Patenting

Claims 52, 60-71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 80-83, 85, 86, and 88-90 have been rejected for nonstatutory obviousness-type double patenting. A terminal disclaimer is submitted with this response in compliance with 37 C.F.R. 1.321(c) to overcome the rejection.

Based on the above amendments and these remarks, reconsideration of claims 52, 60-71, 73, 75, 76, 78, 80-83, 85, 86, and 88-90 is respectfully requested.

The Examiner's prompt attention to this matter is greatly appreciated. Should further questions remain, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney by telephone.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501826 for any matter in connection with this response, including any fee for extension of time, which may be required.

Respectfully submitted,

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